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**AGENDA**

Thursday, June 22, 2006

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**Public Works  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**Subject:** Authorize negotiation and execution of a professional services agreement with VOLZ AND ASSOCIATES, INC., Austin, TX, for architectural services for Elisabet Ney Museum Comprehensive Preservation Master Plan Historic Structure Component in an amount not to exceed \$80,000.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Operating Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department.

**Fiscal Note:** There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

**Additional Backup Material**

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- ☐ MWBE SUB GOALS
- ☐ EVALUATION MATRIX

**For More Information:** Robert Brennes, 974-6722; Felix Benavides, 974-7027; Laura Bohl, 974-7064.

**Purchasing Language:** Best qualification statement of six statements received.

**MBE/WBE:** 25% MBE and 15% WBE subconsultant participation.

The Elisabet Ney Museum is a designated national, state and local historic landmark based on the significance of Elisabet Ney as an established 19th century woman artist and as an influential early Texas advocate for the arts. A comprehensive restoration of the former American studio/home of Elisabet Ney was cited as the priority goal in the Museum's long-range master plan developed in 1998.

In 2003, the Save America's Treasures program awarded \$250,000 to support a comprehensive restoration of the building and landscape of the Elisabet Ney Museum. Additional funding for the current initiative is provided by public and private sources including grants from the National Trust for Historic Preservation and Texas Historical Commission. An Elisabet Ney Museum Save America's Treasures Restoration Campaign Committee is assisting in raising funds.

This request allows for the development of a professional services agreement with the recommended firm to conduct a Comprehensive Preservation Master Plan for the building. In a separate action Council will be asked to consider a professional service agreement for an historic landscape design.

Should the City be unsuccessful in negotiating a satisfactory agreement with the recommended firm, negotiations will cease with that firm. Staff will then return to Council and request authorization to begin negotiations with the alternate recommendation listed below. Notification of issuance of a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the subject services was sent to 195 firms on March 29, 2006. The RFQ was obtained by 23 firms, and six firms submitted qualification

statements. One of the firms was a certified M/WBE firm. Of the six firms evaluated, five firms were interviewed. Interviewing resulted in the following recommendation.

Participation subgoals stated in the solicitation were 16.5% MBE and 14.2% WBE. The recommended and the alternate firms provided an M/WBE Compliance Plan that met the goals of the solicitation and was approved by the Department of Small and Minority Business Resources.

**RECOMMENDED FIRM: VOLZ & ASSOCIATES, INC., AUSTIN, TX – Total Participation:**

<b>NON M/WBE TOTAL – PRIME</b>	<b>57.50%</b>
<b>Volz &amp; Associates, Inc., Austin, TX</b>	<b>57.50%</b>
<b>MBE TOTAL – SUBCONSULTANT</b>	<b>25.00%</b>
<b>(MH) Jaster-Quintanilla &amp; Associates, Inc., Austin, TX</b> civil engineering, structural engineering	<b>12.50%</b>
<b>(HD) The Barr Company, AIA, Austin, TX (architectural consulting)</b>	<b>12.50%</b>
<b>WBE TOTAL – SUBCONSULTANT</b>	<b>15.00%</b>
<b>(ED) Jasmine Engineering, Inc., Austin, TX</b> electrical engineering, mechanical engineering	<b>15.00%</b>
<b>NON M/WBE TOTAL – SUBCONSULTANT</b>	<b>2.50%</b>
<b>Bridgette S. Bernecke, Austin, TX</b> architectural consulting-grant funding consultation	<b>2.50%</b>

**ALTERNATE FIRM: ARCHITEXAS-ARCHITECTURE, PLANNING AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION, INC. – Total Participation:**

<b>NON M/WBE TOTAL – PRIME</b>	<b>51.80%</b>
<b>Architexas-Architecture, Planning and Historic Preservation, Inc., Austin, TX</b>	<b>51.80%</b>
<b>MBE TOTAL – SUBCONSULTANT</b>	<b>16.80%</b>
<b>(MH) Jose L. Guerra, Inc., Austin, TX</b> electrical engineering, mechanical engineering	<b>11.20%</b>
<b>(MH) Jaster-Quintanilla &amp; Associates, Inc., Austin, TX</b> civil engineering	<b>5.60%</b>
<b>WBE TOTAL – SUBCONSULTANT</b>	<b>14.50%</b>
<b>(FR) Project Cost Resources, Inc., Austin, TX (cost estimating)</b>	<b>11.00%</b>
<b>(FR) Dynamic Reprographics, Austin, TX</b> blue printing services, blue line, blue prints large engineering	<b>3.50%</b>
<b>NON M/WBE TOTAL – SUBCONSULTANT</b>	<b>16.90%</b>
<b>Sparks Engineering, Inc., Round Rock, TX (structural engineering)</b>	<b>8.70%</b>
<b>Ecosystems Environmental, Inc., Austin, TX (environmental consulting)</b>	<b>6.20%</b>
<b>Jim Whitten Roof Consulting, Austin, TX (roofing consulting)</b>	<b>2.00%</b>

**Public Works Department  
Evaluation of Consultant Qualifications**

Received:

May 2, 2006

Project:

Elisabet Ney Museum Comprehensive Preservation Master Plan

**EVALUATION MATRIX**

Project Manager:

Robert Brynnes

Firm (or Joint Venture)	Item 1 Y = Yes N = No M/WBE Goals met or G.F.E.	Item 2 Y = Yes N = No Prime Firm's EEO Program	Item 3 [24] Experience of Project Architect (16) Principal (8)	Item 4 [15] Experience and Availability of Proposed Staff	Item 5 [15 w/ subs] [20 w/o subs] Prime Firm's Comparable Project Experience	Item 6 [15 w/ subs] [0 w/o subs] Subconsultant Firm's Comparable Project Experience	Item 7 [8] Team's Experience with Austin Issues	Item 8 [12] Team's Structure and Project Approach	Item 9 [11] COA Experience with Prime	SUB TOTAL [100]	Item 10 [25] Optional Interview	TOTAL POINTS [125]
Volz & Associates, Inc.	Y	Y	22.7	13.0	13.5	12.8	7.2	11.0	11.0	91.2	23.3	114.4
ArchTorus	Y	Y	20.2	11.7	12.2	12.8	7.0	9.7	11.0	84.5	19.3	103.8
TWC Architects	Y	Y	19.7	11.2	12.0	11.0	6.7	9.7	11.0	80.2	13.9	94.1
Lindacher & Godfrey Architects	Y	Y	19.2	10.8	10.0	11.0	7.8	7.8	11.0	77.7	14.2	91.8
Wise, Jarvey Elstner Associates, Inc.	Y	Y	17.0	11.0	9.7	9.8	5.5	7.7	11.0	71.7	16.0	87.7
Ford Powell & Carson	Non-compliant	Y	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0